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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) **CONFIDENTIAL** REPORT NO. 25X1

TOPIC Peenemuende Airfield

EVALUATION 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT 13 April to 1 May 1951

DATE OBTAINED 25X1 DATE PREPARED 25 July 1951

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REMARKS

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- 25X1 1. [redacted] the fuel dump at Peenemuende airfield on 13 April 1951. There was a spur track branching off from the railroad line to the field just north of two houses. An undetermined number of underground containers of German origin were still in the dump. Eight semi-underground containers, each about 2 to 2.5 meters in diameter and 8 to 10 meters long, arrived at the dump in late-January 1951 and were dug half-way into the ground. They were camouflaged with twigs and insulated with a layer of lime and tar. The fuel dump was allegedly the largest in the Peenemuende area. *
2. There has been intensive flying activity at the airfield since about mid-April. It was observed that firing at towed sleeve targets was practiced by about four to six conventional aircraft which approached the target from the side. Bursts of about two to four rounds were fired. No firing from swept-back jet fighters was observed. Two swept-back jet fighters with landing lights practiced night flying between 9 and 10 p.m. on 25 April.
3. It was observed on 30 April that about four or five bunched telephone cables were strung from the Karlsruhen barracks buildings to the main building on the other side of the road and railroad line to Peenemuende. Two radio trucks on which no antennae were seen were parked in front of the main building. The German driver of the administrative manager said that a radio station was built in the main building and that the main supply depot for all units in Peenemuende was located in Werder near Potsdam. He further stated that he had again learned from Soviet drivers of the 3d Bn that the battalion was stationed at the Wittstock airfield. **
4. Motor vehicles observed included: ration supply truck [redacted] truck [redacted] occupied by two officers and about 20 GIs, and seen moving from Peenemuende toward Zinnowitz or Wolgast between 7 and 8 p.m. and returning in the morning between 6 and 7 o'clock; passenger car [redacted] of the 2d Bn commander; truck [redacted] and radio truck [redacted] without a radio set [redacted]
- 25X1 * [redacted] Comment. For location of fuel dump, see Annex.

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